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Character & Story

ZEUS, THE KING OF THE GODS, SAID,
"IT WOULD BE INTERESTING TO FIND OUT JUST HOW FAR THE FOOLISHNESS OF HUMANS EXTENDS."

PRINCE GANYMEDE LED A HAPPY LIFE IN THE KINGDOM OF TROY — UNTIL, ON THE DAY OF HIS COMING-OF-AGE CEREMONY, HE WAS WHISKED AWAY AND SHUT INTO A STRANGE PLACE CALLED A "MINIATURE GARDEN." THE GODS, INCAPABLE OF LYING, WHO SOMETIMES COME TO VISIT... A BEAUTIFUL PLACE HE CAN NEVER LEAVE... AN ETERNAL LIFE THRUST UPON HIM.....
SO BEGAN GANYMEDE'S ENDLESS DAYS OF TRIALS AND TRIBULATIONS.....

APOLLO

THE GOD OF THE SUN. HE IS THE ONE WHO FOUND GANYMEDE AND CARRIED HIM AWAY TO THE MINIATURE GARDEN. EVER SINCE, HE OCCASIONALLY VISITS THE GARDEN.

GANYMEDE

THE PRINCE HERALDED FOR HIS SHINING BEAUTY. HIS BROTHER WAS KILLED BEFORE HIS EYES AND HE WAS TAKEN AWAY TO THE MINIATURE GARDEN. HE HAS TRIED COUNTLESS TIMES TO LEAVE, BUT HAS NEVER SUCCEEDED.

HADES

THE GOD OF THE UNDERWORLD. THE ELDEST OF THE THREE BROTHERS.

POSEIDON

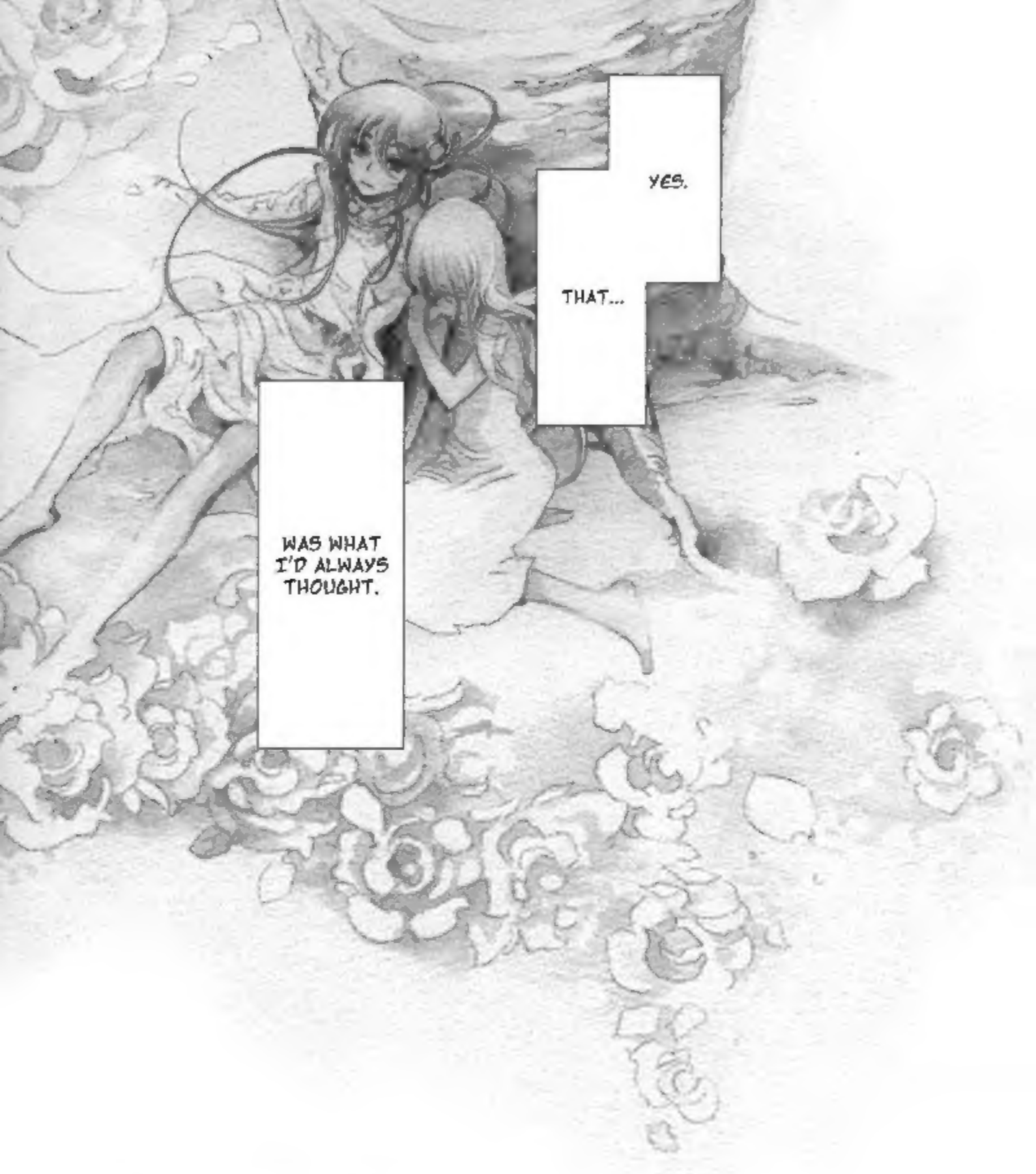
THE GOD OF THE SEA. THE SECOND OF THE THREE BROTHERS.

ZEUS

THE GOD OF THE SKY. THE YOUNGEST OF THE THREE BROTHERS, AND THE OWNER OF THE GARDEN.

I WONDER IF THE WORLD REALLY EVER HAD A BEGINNING.

SWIP
WELL, THEN,
WHY DON'T I GET RID OF IT.
CRACK
AND NEXT TO ME...
WAS MY BEAUTIFUL OLDER SISTER.
ARTEMIS.
TO ME, SHE WAS...
THE ONLY THING OF VALUE IN THE ENTIRE WORLD.
NOTHING ELSE MATTERED.



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Up we go!

Heave ho!
Heave ho!
Heave ho!
Heave ho!
.....
WHAT IS THAT...?
HMPH.
IT'S BIGGER THAN MINE.
THEY'RE BUILDING A TEMPLE FOR YOU.
IT'S BIG, ISN'T IT.
...SO WHAT?
BIGGER IS BETTER, SOMEHOW.
.....
IT'S GOOD.
IT MAKES YOU LOOK STRONG.

flick
push push
Heave!
Heave!
THUD
I think you crushed them.
...
Push
Push
HOW DULL.
I'M GOING BACK TO ARTEMIS.
HUH?
HOP
ALREADY ?!
I saved them. Whoops
HOW DULL.
THEY SHOULD JUST RUN AWAY, LIKE ANTS.
?
THEN YOU SHOULD JUST CRUSH SOME ANTS.
NO.
I WANT TO CRUSH THEM.

BEFORE I KNEW IT
POSEIDON WAS ALREADY LOITERING AROUND ME.
... HONESTLY, WHAT WAS THAT...
WASN'T THAT FUNNY?!
NO. IT WASN'T.
idiot
THAT'S NOT TRUE!
BEING WITH YOU IS JUST DULL.
I'M AS SHARP AS A NOT-DULL KNIFE!
see ya!
wave

POSEIDON IS THE GOD OF THE SEA,
SO HE'S SUPPOSED TO BE ONE OF THE THREE GREATEST GODS OF THIS WORLD..
Something funny, something funny...
BUT HE ISN'T. JUST LOOK AT HIM...
SOME HOW OR OTHER I'M GOING ALONG WITH HIM OUT OF DUTY.
Because he does rank above me Technically
SO BORING.
I KNOW!!
HOW'S A SACRIFICE SOUND?
A SACRIFICE!!

HOLD ON—
WAI...
NOPE, IT'S EASY, REAL EASY!
JUST WATCH!
THAT'D BE SUCH A HASSLE...
LISTEN!!
I AM YOUR GOD!!
BRING ME A SACRI-FICE!!
BRING ME SOMEONE MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN ARTEMIS!
WHAT'S THAT ABOUT?!
A SACRI-FICE!!

YOU SERIOUSLY NEED A WIDER VOCABULARY.
Can't you think of a cooler way to say it?
SEE, LOOK!
I NEVER EVEN SAID WHO I WAS,
SO THEY ALL THINK IT WAS YOU YELLING, APOLLO!
Now this is funny!
HURRAH!
HURRAH!
HURRAH!
Lord Apollo wants a sacrifice!!
YOU ARE SUCH!!
A HUGE PAIN!!
IDIOT!!
WHY, YOU...
SEE?!
IT'S FUNNY, ISN'T IT?
AND THEN!
POSEIDON WENT AND DID IT WITHOUT EVEN ASKING ME!!
? I'll call you again when they bring the sacrifice!
No thanks!

AS FAR AS I'M CONCERNED, SACRIFICES ARE NOTHING BUT A PAIN TO DEAL WITH.
... BUT!
WELL... IT WASN'T BORING.
WHAT DOES?!
That's what you mean
IT SOUNDS LIKE FUN.

WHY WOULD SOMEONE WITH MY OWN FACE BE INTERESTING?
And don't say my face
Doesn't deny it.
WELL, I THINK THE SAME.
YOU'RE MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN ME, APOLLO.
YES, THERE IS.
THERE COULDN'T BE ANYONE MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN YOU, ARTEMIS.
THAT, AND... FIRST OF ALL,
HMM.
I DON'T GET WHAT POSEIDON THOUGHT WAS SO FUNNY...
HMM.
YOU THINK SO TOO, RIGHT?

APOLLO.
ARE ALL THAT I NEED,
I COULD SEARCH THE WHOLE WORLD
AND THERE WOULDN'T BE ANYONE MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN ARTEMIS.
ME, TOO.
I DON'T NEED ANYTHING BUT YOU,
ARTEMIS.
YOU...
MY SISTER WAS BEAUTIFUL.

THIS SHRINE IS HUGE.
NICE
THIS IS GREAT
AND WHY ARE YOU SO HAPPY THAT THE SHRINE IS BIG...?
I DON'T GET IT
...AND I MEAN,
WHAT IS THAT?
THAT, I MEAN.
IT'S A STATUE OF YOU.
HOW UGLY.
AND IT DOESN'T LOOK ANY-THING LIKE ME!
IF YOU WANT IT TO LOOK LIKE YOU, THEN LET HUMANS SEE YOU EVERY ONCE IN A WHILE.
THEY ALL THINK THAT GODS ARE ALL MACHO NOW!
AND BESIDES IT'S ALL BE-CAUSE YOU GO LETTING HUMAN SEE YOU ALL THE TIME!
NO WAY! THAT'S SUCH A PAIN!
OH.
You're such a pain!

LOOK, THE SACRIFICE IS HERE.
I DON'T CARE.
LORD APOLLO ...
WE HAVE BROUGHT THE SACRIFICE YOU ASKED FOR.
HER BEAUTY IS EQUAL EVEN TO THE GODDESS ARTEMIS!
PLEASE,
flutter
ACCEPT THIS SACRIFICE!

GRAAR!
Right there!
Flinch
ARTEMIS IS MORE BEAUTIFUL THAN THAT!
WHAT IS THAT UGLY WOMAN?!
YOU'VE GOT TO BE KIDDING ME!!
I CAN'T BELIEVE IT!!
THIS!!
IS THE WORST!!
Like you can talk
I'M NOT TALKING ABOUT THAT!!
BUT SHE IS THE MOST BEAUTIFUL WOMAN IN THE COUNTRY!
PLEASE, LORD APOLLO!
PLEASE,
FORGIVE US, LORD APOLLO, FORGIVE US!
Idiot!
Moron!
BOW BOW

BUT I SERIOUSLY REALLY DON'T WANT HER.
WELL, YOU SAID YOU DIDN'T LIKE HER,
SO SHE'LL PROBABLY STICK AROUND UNTIL YOU CHANGE YOUR MIND, DON'T YOU THINK?
WHAT DO I DO WITH THIS?
SO?
.....
SO I DON'T REALLY KNOW.
I'VE NEVER RECEIVED A SACRIFICE THAT WASN'T KILLED,
IN THE END,
I GOT SICK OF THINKING ABOUT IT,
SO I LEFT HER LIKE THAT AND WENT HOME.
IF I IGNORE HER FOR A WHILE,
SHE'LL PROBABLY GO OFF SOMEWHERE.
That's what bugs usually do.

POSEIDON NEVER STICKS AROUND ANYWHERE.
A god should not be so bug-like.
SO WHY DOESN'T SHE GO SOME-WHERE ELSE?
SHE'S GONNA DIE IF SHE STAYS THERE.
HOW-EVER,
CONTRARY TO MY EXPECTA-TIONS, THAT STAYED THERE.
WHY DON'T YOU TELL HER?
NO WAY, IT'S SUCH A HASSLE.
AND I DON'T REALLY CARE IF SOMETHING LIKE THAT DIES.
YOU KNOW, APOLLO, LATELY ...
THIS IS ALL YOU TALK ABOUT.

...
REALLY?
EVEN THOUGH YOU NEVER FIXATE ON ANY ONE THING LIKE THIS.
..CER-TAINLY,
NOW THAT YOU MEN-TION IT.
PERHAPS IT WAS BECAUSE ...
IT WAS THE FIRST TIME I'D EVER THOUGHT OF HUMANS AS INDIVIDUALS.
.....

There she is.
.....
HUH?
SHE'S GONE...
What are you doing...?
YOU'RE SO CLEAN YOU'RE SPARKLING!!
PHEW!
YOU'RE ALL CLEAN NOW, LORD APOLLO!
Lol
PEEK
YOU'RE REALLY QUITE WELL-BUILT...
OH, MY
I D I O T!
LORD APOLLO,
HAVE I EARNED YOUR GOOD WILL BY NOW?
WHOOPS!
Missed a spot

YOU KNOW,
LO— LORD APOLLO!
I'M SORRY! FORGIVE ME!
fret fret
CUT IT OUT AL- READY.
HEY, YOU.
EEP!
I'M FED UP WITH YOU. WOULD YOU LEAVE ALREADY?
HUH...
BUT...
WHY?
IS IT BECAUSE I PEEKED BETWEEN YOUR LEGS JUST NOW?
.....
That's not it
I DON'T WANT HER SPREADING AROUND THAT I KICKED HER OUT BECAUSE OF SOMETHING LIKE THAT...!!
NOT TO SAY..
THAT I PARTICULARLY CARE WHAT HUMANS SAY ABOUT ME, BUT!!
BUH!!
...
EXHAUSTED
SO PLEASE, JUST GET OUT OF HERE...
IT'S NOT BECAUSE OF THAT ...
.....

AND THEN I SUD DENLY REAL- IZED ..
huh?
AND I'M TELLING YOU...
.....
BUT YOU SAID YOU DID.
NO, I DON'T.
..BUT YOU NEED A SACRI- FICE, DON'T YOU?
..... WAIT,
WHAT AM I DOING, HAVING A CONVERSATION WITH HER?

Squeak
Squeak
YOU KNOW,
I WAS HONORED TO BE CHOSEN AS A SACRIFICE.

MARTHA NEXT DOOR IS ALSO VERY BEAUTIFUL,
BUT, WELL, I THINK I LOOK MORE LIKE LADY ARTEMIS!
.....
REALLY.
IT'S LIKE A DREAM TO BE OFFERED UP TO A GOD!
In the end, he's listening.
MARTHA LOOKS LIKE LADY ATHENA.
I CAN'T GET A WORD IN EDGEWISE. .
sigh
I'm over here
.....
DO YOU NOT LIKE LADY ATHENA'S LOOKS, LORD APOLLO?
HUH?
WHO'S ATHENA ...?
LADY ATHENA, THE GODDESS OF WAR.
Lord Zeus! Lady Hera! Lord Poseidon! Lady Hestia! Lady Demeter! Lady Athena Lord Apollo Lady Artemis! Lord Ares. Lord Hephaestus! Lady Aphrodite! Lord Hermes!
One two three
NEVER HEARD OF HALF OF THEM...
AND WHAT'D YOU MEAN, THE DODEKATHEON OR WHATEVER...
SHE'S ONE OF THE DODEKATHEON, THE TWELVE DEITIES OF OLYMPUS, AND...
NEVER HEARD OF HER...

BUGS, AT LEAST, DO WHATEVER THEY CAN DO ESCAPE WITH THEIR LIVES.
THIS IS RIDICU-LOUS.
THEY WORSHIP GODS THAT THEY MADE UP THEM-SELVES.
DOES THAT MEAN THAT INTELLI-GENCE...
HOW STUPID CAN YOU GET?
AND IF THOSE GODS TELL THEM TO DIE, THEY WILL.
PARALYZES THE INSTINCT TO LIVE?
ARE YOU REALLY THAT THRILLED TO GIVE UP YOUR LIFE AS A SACRIFICE?
OF DYING
I AM AFRAID ...
BUT ...
YEP, PARA-LYZED.
YES! MY HAP-PINESS KNOWS NO BOUNDS!!

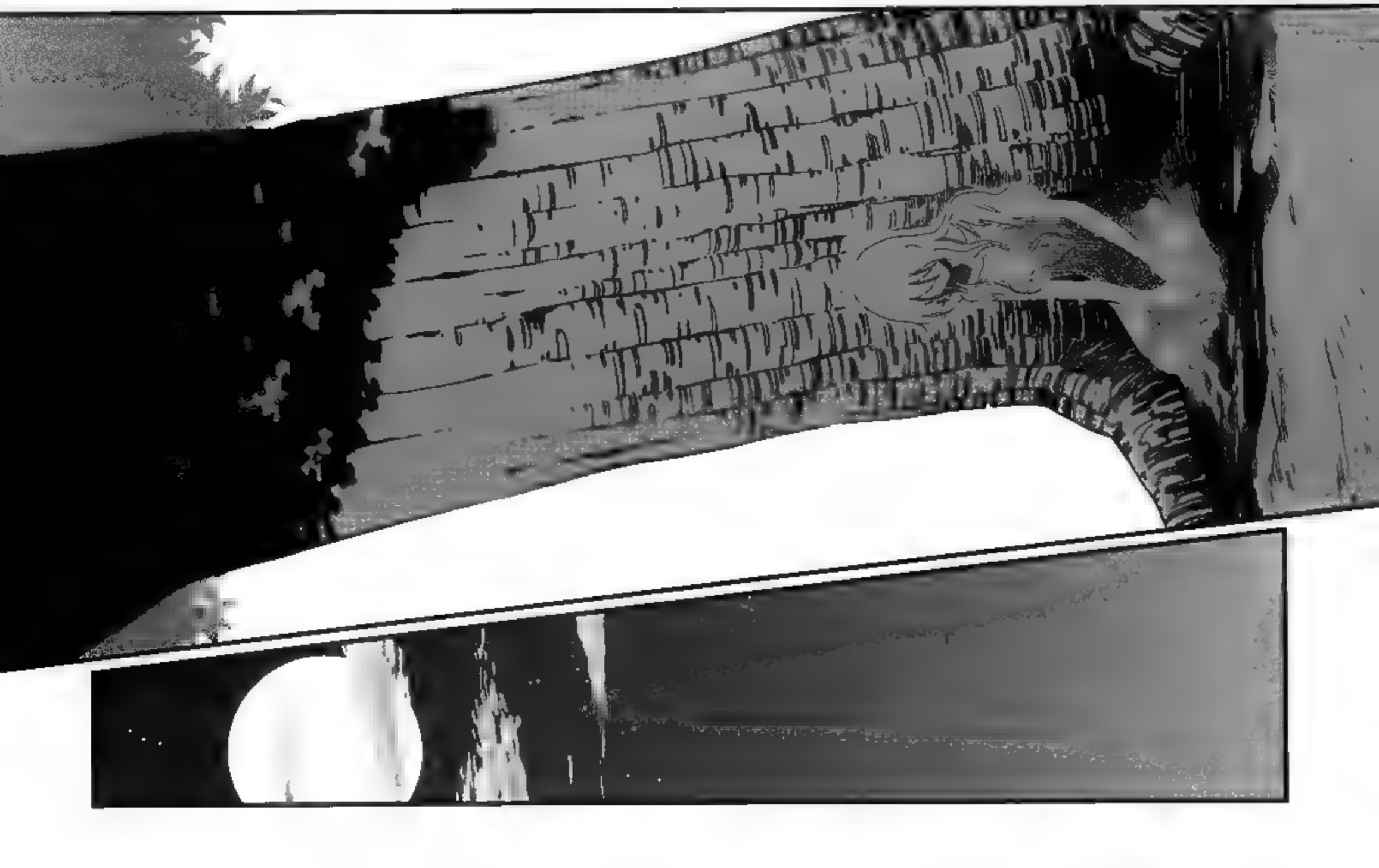
EVERYONE WILL DIE SOMEDAY,
BUT EVERYONE IS AFRAID OF DEATH.
DON'T THE GODS...
WANT SACRIFICES SO THAT THEY CAN SEE A LOVE STRONG ENOUGH...
TO OVERCOME THAT FEAR?
LORD APOLLO,
I LOVE AND RESPECT YOU.
I CAN GIVE EVERYTHING I HAVE TO YOU.
SO PLEASE, ACCEPT MY LIFE.

COULDN'T CARE LESS ABOUT HUMANS.
THAT'S NOT WHY.
...NO.
THE GODS...
WE ACTUALLY PREFER TO SEE THEM SCURRY ABOUT, DESPERATE AND GREEDY, LIKE THE BUGS THEY ARE.
We're being trampled to...
Ah!
Like this
I...
CAN SAY THAT ALOUD.
OH,
IN OTHER WORDS, THAT IS THE TRUTH.
I SEE.

THE GODS KNOW...
THE ONE TRUTH.
BUT WE DON'T KNOW...
THE COUNT-LESS LIES AND MISUN-DERSTAND-INGS IT GIVES BIRTH TO.
NOT ONLY DO WE NOT KNOW THEM,
WE AREN'T EVEN AWARE THAT THEY EXIST
AND...
THE EXISTENCE OF THE FACT THAT WE ARE NOT AWARE OF THEIR EXISTENCE...
IS SOMETHING I WAS NOT AWARE OF UNTIL NOW.

IRIS.
SIGH...
SHE DOESN'T EXIST.
NO GODDESS WOULD...
IRIS.
I GOT MY NAME FROM THE GODDESS OF THE RAINBOW
...HEY, YOU.
WHAT'S YOUR NAME?
I'VE GROWN TO WANT TO TALK TO YOU, JUST A LITTLE BIT.
BUT I FIND IT RATHER DISAGREEABLE TO BE SPOKEN TO WHEN YOU'RE LOOKING AT THAT.
SO FROM NOW ON, MAKE SURE YOU LOOK THIS WAY WHEN YOU SPEAK TO ME.

OH,
AND WHILE WE'RE ON THE SUBJECT OF THINGS THAT DISPLEASE ME...
YOU AND ARTEMIS...
LOOK NOTHING ALIKE!!



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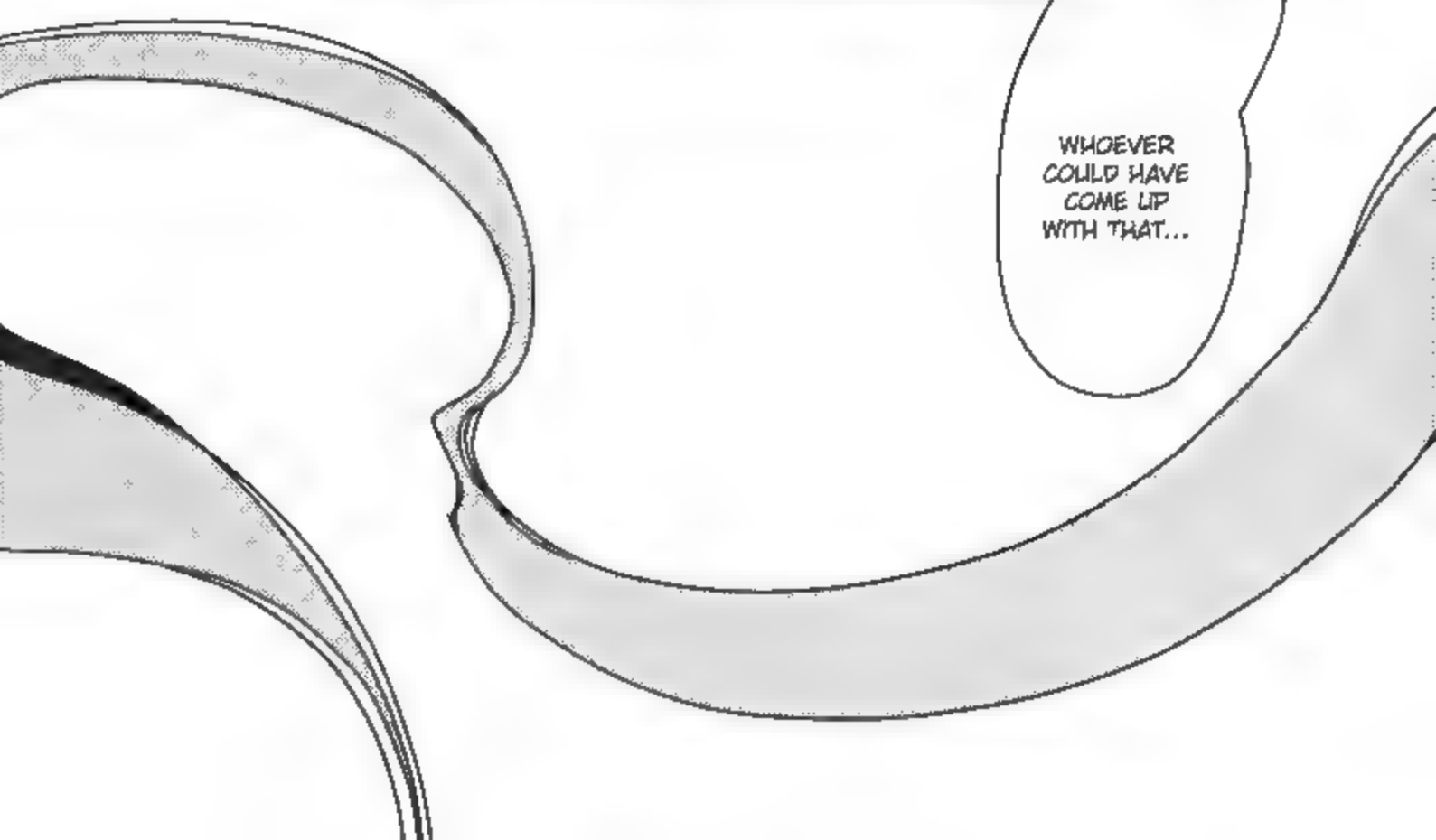
HMPH
...“THE GODDESS OF THE MOON,”
“ARTEMIS,” IS IT.


HMPH.
WHOEVER COULD HAVE COME UP WITH THAT...

Episode.07

YOU'RE ALL MISTAKING THE GODS FOR PIGS OR SOMETHING, AREN'T YOU?
I'VE GOT IT.

WHAT'S ALL THAT FOOD FOR?!
THEN TELL ME.
Pigs, you say?!
Food piled high.
DEAR ME!!
OF COURSE NOT!!

AND TELL ME!!
WHY DO YOU HAVE TO MAKE SOMETHING LIKE THAT?!
DO
OM
I thought they ate a lot
BUT...
THE GODS ARE ALL SO BIG...
WHAT'S THE POINT OF GIVING THAT MUCH?
USE COMMON SENSE FOR ONCE.
IT'S NOT FOOD, IT'S AN OFFERING.

DO YOU REALLY THINK YOU'LL PLEASE THE GODS BY GIVING THEM STUFF?
WHAT IS THIS?
NO, IT DOESN'T.
DOES IT NOT PLEASE YOU?
FIRST OF ALL, WE DON'T EVEN EAT!
!!
OH, MY!!
COULD IT BE THAT THE GODS EAT FOODS OF THE HEAVENS?!
Just like they say!
LIKE AMBRO-SIA!!
WHAT'S SO HARD TO UN-DERSTAND ABOUT "WE DON'T EAT"?!
What do they say?!
..WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?
DO YOU REALLY NOT HAVE TO EAT?
SO YOU'RE SAYING THAT YOU DON'T HAVE TO EAT?
...
WE'RE NOT FINITE EXISTENCES LIKE YOU HUMANS.
WOULD YOU MIND NOT COMPARING ME TO YOU PUNY MORTALS WHO HAVE TO INGEST FOREIGN OBJECTS IN ORDER TO SURVIVE?
I don't really understand.
—

WHAT CAN WE POSSIBLY DO TO PLEASE YOU?
AND IT SEEMS THAT YOU DON'T PARTICULARLY WANT OR NEED OUR PRAYERS.
YOU CAN DO ANYTHING, AND YOU DON'T EAT ANYTHING.
...THE GODS ARE DIFFICULT, AREN'T YOU.
WE CAN'T GROW CROPS WITHOUT THE SUN.
BUT...
WELL, I WON'T.
As if
BECAUSE WE HOPE THAT YOU WILL GRANT US YOUR PROTECTION.
...I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHY YOU'RE SO FIXATED ON MAKING US HAPPY.
In the first place,

WE GODS DO NOT EAT,
AND SO WE CANNOT UNDER-STAND BEING GRATEFUL FOR THE HARVEST
IF WE ANGER YOU, LORD APOLLO, YOU SEND US DRY WEATHER AND DROUGHTS!!
NO, THAT'S NOT REALLY WHY THAT HAPPENS.
Completely unrelated
hmm
...I'D NEVER THOUGHT ABOUT THAT.
THE BLUE SKY SPREADING OUT HIGH ABOVE US,
THE SUN SHINING GENTLY ON US,
OUR ABUNDANT HAPPI-NESS...
IS ALL THANKS TO THE GODS WHO PROTECT US.

RUMBLE
RUMBLE
RUMBLE
rumble
rumble
rumble
..NO.
IS SOME-THING THE MATTER?
...?

HE SIMPLY PASSES BY.
LIKE A MIRAGE,
HE APPEARS AND VANISHES WITH NO PURPOSE OR INTENT
DID YOU HEAR THE GROUND RUMBLE JUST NOW?
NO, WHY?
THE GROUND .?
THAT..
IS WHAT ZEUS IS, UP IN THAT BLUE SKY.
WE GODS...
ARE NOT BEINGS THAT "PROTECT" YOU BECAUSE YOU PLEASE US.
BUT THERE'S NO WAY TO EXPLAIN THAT...
TO THOSE WHO CANNOT EVEN SEE THE GODS
YOU KNOW,
PRAYERS DON'T WORK.
SO WHY DO YOU DO IT?
THEY DO WORK!

There's no way that could be anything but a coincidence.
Come on.
IN OTHER WORDS, THEY'RE PUTTING THEIR HOPES IN COINCIDENCES...
TEN YEARS AGO, WHEN THE PEOPLE PRAYED FOR THREE DAYS AND THREE NIGHTS,
IT POURED!
WE WERE BLESSED WITH A RAIN THAT LASTED FOR MONTHS!
AND COINCIDENCES HAPPEN EVEN IF YOU DON'T DO ANYTHING.
UNLESS...
THEY THINK THAT THOSE COINCIDENCES OCCUR
BECAUSE THEY DID SOMETHING?
DO YOU LIKE SWEET THINGS?
...WHAT?
Grapes!
LORD APOLLO!
THEY HAVE THE NERVE TO WANT A TASTE OF SUPERIOR-ITY...
BY THINKING THEY HAVE CONTROLLED SOMETHING THAT IS ACTUALLY BEYOND THEIR CONTROL?

.....
I DON'T REALLY CARE ONE WAY OR ANOTHER.
AND I ALREADY TOLD YOU I DON'T EAT.
She really is an idiot!
FOR THIS WOMAN TO GET IT..?
HOW MANY TIMES DO I HAVE TO SAY IT...
OH!
THAT'S RIGHT, YOU SAID YOU DON'T EAT...
BUT CAN YOU TASTE THINGS?
ARE YOU TASTELESS?
...
Taste-less.
.....
DO YOU HAVE TO PHRASE IT THAT WAY..?!
Mmm!
SO DELI-CIOUS!
PLEASE, LORD APOLLO, HAVE SOME!
HERE!
I TOLD YOU I DON'T NEED IT.
.....
OH, DON'T SAY THAT!
THEY'RE REALLY VERY DELICIOUS!

THEY'RE SO VERY SWEET,
IT MAKES YOU FEEL SO HAPPY!
TEEHEE
HERE! TRY ONE!!
.....
.....
HOW IS IT?
DOES IT NOT TASTE GOOD?
IT SEEMS LIKE A SWEETNESS THAT YOU MORTALS WOULD LIKE.
IT'S ALMOST LIKE IT'S ON THE VERGE OF ROTTING
CHEW CHEW

...DON'T REALLY KNOW.
.....
I .
"DELI-CIOUS,"
"I LIKE IT,"
AND "I DON'T LIKE IT" ..
ARE ALL THINGS I CANNOT SAY.
AND YET I CAN SAY, "I DON'T KNOW"...
. .

.....
HADES, KING OF THE UNDER-WORLD.
WHAT BRINGS YOU TO THE SURFACE?

SMILE
...HE IS A GOD WHO SMILES A DISGUSTING SMILE.
HE TICKS ME OFF,
ACTING LIKE HE KNOWS EVERY-THING.
I ASKED YOU WHAT YOU'RE HERE FOR.
...
NOTHING IN PAR-TICULAR.
WHAT I'M HERE FOR?

Huh?!
YOU'RE NOT MAKING ANY SENSE!!
SO I THOUGHT.
.....
YOU KNOW,
Huh?!
IF I HAD TO SAY, I WOULD SAY THAT YOU CALLED ME.
WHAT? I DIDN'T CALL YOU.

AND I DON'T REMEMBER CALLING YOU HERE!
I DON'T HAVE ANY BUSINESS WITH YOU!
BUT THIS IS THE FIRST TIME WE'VE MET!!
I KNOW YOUR NAME AND THE FACT THAT YOU EXIST,
I KNOW ABOUT YOU,

I'M ASKING YOU, WHAT ARE YOU DOING HERE?!
DON'T GIVE ME A NICK-NAME LIKE THAT!
WHAT ARE YOU, A FLY?
YOU ARE NOISY.
HMPH.

SO I CAME TO SEE.
INTO MY TERRITORY.
YOU ENTERED ...
AND I SHAN'T FORGET A WARNING.
IF YOU ARE TO TURN BACK, NOW IS THE TIME.
IN THESE CIRCUM-STANCES, YOU CANNOT SEE FAR AHEAD
...I DON'T UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU'RE SAYING.
SO I THOUGHT
I EXPECT IT IS RATHER DIFFICULT FOR A FLY TO UNDERSTAND.
AGGH!
YOU SERIOUSLY TICK ME OFF!

AGH! I GIVE UP!!
I'M LEAVING!!
IF YOU AREN'T HERE FOR ANYTHING, THEN DON'T TALK TO ME!
ARE YOU GOING TO COME TO-MORROW?
IT HAS NOTHING TO DO WITH YOU!
HUMANS ROT.
THEY ROT,
AND LET OFF THE SCENT OF DECAY,
AND SO THEY MAKE EVERYTHING AROUND THEM ROT AS WELL.
IT MUST BE A RATHER LUSCIOUS PERFUME TO THE FLY.
BUT ONE SHOULD STAY AWAY FROM THE DEAD THAT ARE ALREADY BURIED.

IT IS WISEST ...
TO DEVOUR IT WHEN IT HAS BEGUN ROTTING...
WHEN THAT SWEET FLAVOR IS THE STRONGEST.
THEY SAY THAT THE FORM OF THE KING OF THE UNDER-WORLD...
HEH
REFLECTS THE HEARTS OF THOSE WHO LOOK UPON HIM.
THEY SAY THAT, SOMETIMES...
TALK ABOUT CREEPY
HIS FACE LOOKS LIKE A DEAD WOMAN'S.

HIS FORM IS SO BEAUTIFUL THAT IT IS ALMOST IMPOSSIBLE TO DEFY HIM.
APOLLO!!
HEY, ARTEMIS.
HOW'VE YOU BEEN?
I'VE BEEN WELL.

I'M SORRY THAT I HAVEN'T COME FOR A WHILE.
WERE YOU LONELY?
I WAS LONELY.
WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING?
I HAVEN'T BEEN DOING ANY-THING.
Recent Happen-ings
I did some cleaning today!
Hold still already
...OH, YEAH.
I CAN'T COMPARE HER TO THAT CAN I...
?
AND THEN,
IDIOT THAT SHE IS, SHE BROUGHT OFFER-INGS.
GRACIOUS ...
TEE HEE!
IT SOUNDS TOUGH.
I NEVER IMAGINED THAT IT WOULD BE SO DIFFICULT TO EXPLAIN THAT WE DON'T EAT.
IT LOOKS LIKE THEY REALLY DON'T UNDERSTAND ANYTHING DIFFERENT FROM THEMSELVES...

.....
YEAH, IT IS...
REALLY.
...I'M...
THE ONLY ONE TALKING.
TO IMAGINE THAT I ..
BEEN ASSOCIATING TOO MUCH WITH HUMANS...?
HAVE I...
—?
IT'S ALWAYS LIKE THAT.
YEAH.
I KNOW, BUT...

I DON'T KNOW...
NOTHING?
"WHAT HAVE YOU BEEN DOING?"
"I HAVEN'T BEEN DOING ANYTHING."
SHOULD QUESTION MY SISTER...
WHEN I'M NOT HERE.
AT ALL WHAT MY SISTER IS LIKE...
TELL ME MORE.
WHAT'S THE MATTER, APOLLO?

APOLLO?
♪
CLINK
.....
LORD APOL...
!!

GYAAAA!
.....
HUH?
WHAT WAS THAT?
Ahhh-hhhhh!
Ahhh!
THERE SHE IS...
She climbed all the way up there
...OH
MON-STER!!
BEAR!!
OX!!
DEMON!!
KYA AAAA!!

.....
HADES.
.. JUST WHAT ..
ARE YOU DOING HERE...?
Hmph.
Don't "hmph" me.
tremble
tremble
She's terrified
O
HONESTLY.
.... .
YOU'RE A PAIN TO LOOK AT. WOULD YOU LEAVE?
Shoo
.. WHAT?
..WHAT JUST HAPPENED ..?
I don't get it.
LORD APOLLO!!
WHOOSH
smile

What
What
I ;) j just now!
eeek!
...YOU DON'T NEED TO BE THAT TERRIFIED OUT OF YOUR WITS, YOU KNOW.
WHAT ?!
BUT...
IT WAS A BEAST!
DON'T MAKE SUCH A FUSS.
HE JUST HAS HORNS.
!!
BUT THAT'S NOT TRUE!!
IT HAD FOUR LEGS,
AND ITS EYES WERE GLEAMING,
AND IT WAS BIG AS AN OX!!
IT WASN'T AN ANIMAL OF THIS WORLD!!
IN THIS WORLD, THERE ARE THE HEAVENS AND THE EARTH...

AND ALL BEINGS EXIST WHILE BEING DRAWN TO THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH.

IS SOMETIMES IMPOSSIBLE TO DEFY...
THE FORM OF THE KING OF THE UNDER-WORLD...
IS HE SAYING...
FROM ANCIENT TIMES,
THAT I AM DRAWN TO THE SURFACE MORE THAN PEOPLE ARE?

THEY HAVE SAID THAT CRIMINALS FALL TO THE PRISON OF THE EARTH.

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chirp
THE BIRDS...
ARE NOISY.
...OH.
SORRY, I KIND OF SPACED OUT THERE.
WHAT WERE WE TALKING ABOUT..?
YOU WERE SAYING THAT YOU DON'T GET WHAT HADES WAS SAYING AT ALL.
OH, THAT'S RIGHT.
That's what it was.
.....

Episode.08

EVEN THOUGH IT'S THE SAME SCENE AS ALWAYS.
I WONDER WHY...
SOMETHING FEELS OUT OF PLACE.
LORD APOLLO!!

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I CALLED OUT TO YOU SO MANY TIMES, BUT YOU NEVER TURNED AROUND ..
BUT ...
.. WHAT?
YOU DON'T NEED TO YELL LIKE THAT, I CAN HEAR YOU .
...I WAS THINKING.
IF YOU AREN'T HERE FOR SOMETHING, COULD YOU BE QUIET?
!
YOU WERE THINKING?!
EVEN THE GODS HAVE WORRIES?!
Didn't just tell you to shut up?
AND YOU CERTAINLY LOVE A GREAT MANY PEOPLE .!!
BEAUTIFUL YOUNG MEN AND SUCH..
What are you talking about?
YES, I SUPPOSE SO.
LOVE TROUBLES AND SUCH.
...
Listen when people talk
BUT I ALWAYS THOUGHT IT ODD...
JUST BE QUIET, WOULD YOU...
You're delusional
...THAT'S NOT IT.

IF YOU KNOW EVERY-THING,
THEN HOW COULD YOU HAVE TROUBLES?
HUH?
YOU SAID YOU CAN SEE THROUGH TO THE ANSWERS TO EVERY-THING.
I MIGHT HAVE SAID SOME-THING LIKE THAT
Sometime or other
EVEN THOUGH YOU CAN SEE THROUGH EVERYTHING, THERE ARE STILL THINGS YOU DON'T KNOW?
I FOUND THAT TO BE SO STRANGE. .
PERHAPS YOU CAN'T REALLY SEE THROUGH EVERYTHING?
JUST WHAT...
AM I BROODING OVER?
I SHOULD BE ABLE TO SEE THROUGH EVERY-THING...
NO ...
SO YOU KNOW EXACTLY HOW YOUR LOVE WILL TURN OUT?!
BUT IT IS TRUE ..
I told
That's you!- not what this is about!
On the knee

...HEY, YOU.
YES!
WHY WERE YOU CALLING MY NAME EARLIER?
THAT'S ..
BECAUSE YOU DIDN'T ANSWER,
SO I THOUGHT THAT PERHAPS YOU HADN'T HEARD...
BACK THEN
I HAD BEEN QUIET FOR A LONG WHILE. I BET.
SO WHY...
THE ONLY THING I KNOW IS THE TRUTH THAT MY SISTER HAS ALWAYS JUST WAITED SILENTLY.
DIDN'T ARTEMIS CALL MY NAME?
WHY DID SHE JUST WAIT FOR ME TO REALIZE IT?

MY SISTER DID NOT CHANGE.
IT'S JUST THAT.
DURING MY TALKS WITH MY SISTER,
NEVER BEFORE HAD I BEEN PREOCCUPIED WITH SOMETHING ELSE.
I'M THE ONE WHO CHANGED.
...ARE YOU SAYING..
THAT THIS...
IS WHAT IT MEANS TO "ROT"..?

IT WILL LIKELY BE DIFFICULT FOR THIEVES TO COMMIT EVIL TONIGHT.
...WHAT ARE YOU WORRYING ABOUT THIEVES FOR?
Hmph.
. . . .
THE MOON IS BRIGHT TONIGHT
. . . . .
IF YOU WERE ASKED, "WHAT IS THAT?"..
HOW WOULD YOU RESPOND?
"THAT" BEING .
THE MOON?
THAT.
..
"THAT"?
.?
Hmph.
IT IS THE MOON, ISN'T IT

...
YOU'RE SO ANNOYING.
WHAT?
WHAT ...
IS THE MOON?
THAT'S THE MOON!
YOU JUST SAID IT YOURSELF, DIDN'T YOU?!
INDEED.
I DID SAY THAT MYSELF ALREADY
SO YOU CANNOT USE IT.
...WHAT KIND OF GAME HAS RULES LIKE THAT?
I AM ASKING YOU WHAT THAT, WHICH IS CALLED "THE MOON," IS.
DON'T TELL ME YOU'RE ALREADY STUCK?
... THAT ...
IS A SATELLITE THAT ORBITS THIS EARTH.
IS THAT WHAT YOU MEAN?
tttmph.
WHAT ELSE?
IT'S YOUR TURN NEXT, ISN'T IT?

I DO NOT RECALL DECIDING ON SUCH A RULE.
Oh, really.
"IT REFLECTS THE LIGHT OF THE SUN."
"THE REASON IT WAXES AND WANES IS BECAUSE THE ANGLE OF THE LIGHT CHANGES DEPENDING ON THE ROTATION OF THE SUN AND THE EARTH."
DO I NEED TO ADD ANYTHING ELSE?
DO NOT ASK ME.
HUH?!
I ANSWERED BECAUSE I THOUGHT YOU WANTED TO KNOW.
WHA...
WHAT ELSE IS NECESSARY TO EXPLAIN...
THE GODDESS OF THE MOON?
.....AH...
A MIRROR ...

DOES NOT REFLECT SOMETHING THAT IS NOT IN FRONT OF IT.
IF YOUR HEART IS NOT THERE, THE MIRROR WILL REFLECT NOTHING.
THAT... IS THE MOON.
IN OTHER WORDS...
YOU HAVE BEEN DOING NOTHING MORE THAN SPEAK-ING TO A MIRROR.
I COULD TRY...TO.SAY, "THAT'S NOT TRUE," BUT...

I CANNOT SPEAK THOSE WORDS ALOUD.
THEY CALL YOU THE SUN, BUT YOU ARE NOT THE SUN ITSELF.
THEY CALL ME THE UNDER-WORLD, BUT NEITHER AM I THE DEPTHS OF THE EARTH.
OUR EXIS-TENCE...
IS HIGHLY SYMBOLIC.
SYM-BOLIC...
YOU ARE AN EXISTENCE THAT EMBODIES ALL THE IMPRES-SIONS THAT MAKE UP THE SUN.
THE SUN BRINGS THE RED OF DAWN AND DUSK,
AND FERTILITY AS WELL, BUT ALSO DROUGHT.
...YES, I KNOW THAT...
THEN DO YOU NOT THINK OF THIS, SUN?

JUST WHAT...
DETERMINES THOSE "IMPRESSIONS?"
"WE CAN'T GROW CROPS ... WITH-OUT THE SUN."
THE GOD OF THE SUN.
THE SON...
OF THE BRIGHT SKY, ZEUS.
THE SUN... DOES NOT CHANGE ITS COLORS TO SUIT THE EARTH.
IT IS SIMPLY THAT THE EARTH PICKS UP ONLY THE SUN'S RED AT DAWN AND DUSK.

HOW-EVER,
THE FORMS OF THE "GODS" THAT HUMANS DESIRE...
ARE NOT THE FORMS THAT WE WEAR.
IT IS THE CON-SCIOUS-NESS OF HUMANS.
BUT IT IS NOT THEIR WILL.
DO YOU NOT WONDER?
SINCE WHEN.
WHY.
BY WHOSE WILL...
ARE WE HERE?

BECAUSE LATELY YOU'VE BEEN COMING EVERY DAY!
...OH.
THAT'S
WHAT?
.WHAT'RE YOU SO HAPPY ABOUT .?
THAT SOUNDS LIKE AN EXCUSE A MAN HAVING AN AFFAIR WOULD USE.
JUST BECAUSE I'VE STOPPED GOING TO SEE ARTEMIS
TO ME.
THERE EXISTED NOTHING IN THIS WORLD.
THAT WAS MORE IMPORTANT THAN ARTEMIS.
THAT
IS THE TRUTH.

HOWEVER, EVEN WHEN I AM TOLD THAT SHE IS MY MIRROR, I CANNOT DENY IT.
IN OTHER WORDS, IT IS AN UNDENI-ABLE TRUTH.
BUT THEN WHAT DOES THAT MEAN?
.....
.....
LORD APOLLO.
IS THERE SOMETHING ON YOUR MIND AGAIN?
.NO,
IT'S NOTH-ING.
I WAS JUST WONDER-ING WHY YOU ALWAYS MAKE YOUR STATUES OF GODS SO BUFF
BE-CAUSE ..
?
THE BIGGER THEY ARE, THE STRONGER THEY SEEM.

WHAT?
EXCUSE ME... I DON'T HAVE MUCH LEARNING...
? YOU'RE TELLING ME THAT NOW?
UH, PARDON ME... LORD APOLLO?
IS FLAUNTING STRENGTH SO THAT ..
"IT MAKES YOU LOOK STRONG."
..OH I SEE.
YOU'VE BEEN ASKING ME MANY QUESTIONS LATELY,
SO I THOUGHT THAT I MIGHT NOT BE SUFFICIENT ..
SO...
IF YOU ARE DISSATISFIED WITH ME, LORD APOLLO,
THEN I'M SURE SOMEONE MORE LEARNED THAN I CAN...
NO, IT'S FINE.
YOU .
ARE AN IDIOT, BUT YOU'RE INTERESTING.
YOU'RE FINE
...
YES!

YOU KNOW, I JUST CALLED YOU AN IDIOT...
Yay!
She's happy!
..
!!!
IRIS.
YOU REALLY ARE...
QUITE INTER-ESTING.
I HAVE ...
TAKEN QUITE A LIKING TO YOU.
MUCH MORE...
THAN BEFORE.
HADES SPOKE OF "ROTTING,"
BUT BACK THEN, I STILL THOUGHT...
THAT THIS WASN'T THAT BAD.
AND THEN .

ONE DAY, THAT TIME...
CAME TO AN ABRUPT END.
THE DROUGHT WAS GONE,
AND BECOME AN ABUNDANT HARVEST.
WE OFFER OUR THANKS TO APOLLO
LET THIS GIRL...
JOIN YOU IN THE SKY.
"I HAVE TAKEN ... QUITE A LIKING TO YOU."
OH.

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT
SHE WAS THERE SPECIFICALLY TO PLEASE ME, WASN'T SHE .
OH.
WELL THEN!...
THIS PLACE IS BORING NOW!
... ARTEMIS.
APOLLO!

I'VE BEEN WAITING FOR YOU, APOLLO.
TELL ME WHAT HAPPENED
...HADES SAID...
THAT YOU WERE MY MIRROR.
WELL,
EVEN A MIRROR IS FINE AS LONG AS IT'S INTERESTING.
YOU DON'T DENY IT.
THIS TOPIC IS BORING.
LET'S TALK ABOUT SOMETHING ELSE.
chip-chirp
tweet
chirp
.....
...THE BIRDS ARE GETTING NOISY AGAIN, AREN'T THEY.
OH, YES.
THE BIRDS ARE NOISY.
THEY CUT OFF YOUR SOUND, SO I HATE THEM.
EVERYTHING ASIDE FROM YOU IS A NUISANCE.
...IS THAT...

WHAT MY HEART SAYS?
SINCE YOU'RE MY MIRROR.
LET'S NOT TALK ABOUT THAT, APOLLO.
LET'S TALK ABOUT SOMETHING MORE PLEASANT
ARE YOU CHANGING THE SUBJECT..
BECAUSE THAT'S WHAT MY HEART WANTS?
...OH!
I UPSET HER.
APOLLO,
DON'T LOOK AT ME LIKE THAT.

IS THAT, TOO,
JUST A REFLECTION...
.....
I LOVE YOU.
OF MY HEART?

"I LOVE YOU TOO, ARTEMIS."
UNTIL NOW, I WAS ALWAYS...
ABLE TO RESPOND LIKE THIS:
"IT'S ALL RIGHT, DON'T CRY."
DON'T CRY.
ARE YOU CRYING?
SUN.

THE GODS ARE UNEXPECTEDLY QUITE INCONVENIENT BEINGS.
WHO WOULD?
AT WHAT?
WHEN HUMANS FIND THE TRUTH DOES NOT SUIT THEM, THEY CAN DECEIVE THEMSELVES BY CALLING IT A LIE.
THEY CAN SAY ANYTHING.
IF I'M WRONG, THEN YOU SHOULD SIMPLY SAY THAT I AM WRONG.
RIDICULOUS.
ARE YOU GRIEVING YOUR IRRETRIEVABLE PAST WITH THE MOON?
OR DO YOU FEEL SORROW THAT HUMANS CAN DIE?
HEH HEH
DON'T LAUGH
.. ...
HEH.

A SENSE OF SOMETHING THAT CANNOT BE FILLED, THAT I CANNOT DO ANYTHING ABOUT.
I JUST FEEL LIKE..
A HOLE HAS OPENED UP
"DO YOU FEEL SORROW?"
I DON'T CARE.
IF I LET IT SHOW IN MY EX-PRESSION,
THEN IT WOULD BECOME LIKE THAT I'M SURE.
PROB-ABLY...
IF IT HADN'T BECOME LIKE THIS,
THEN THINGS I WASN'T SUPPOSED TO CARE EVEN WHETHER OR NOT THEY EXISTED..
ONCE YOU KNOW, YOU CAN'T GO BACK TO THE TIME WHEN YOU DIDN'T KNOW.

I CAN'T BE WITH ARTEMIS LIKED I USED TO ANYMORE, AND IT'S ALL YOUR FAULT.
IT'S GOT NOTHING TO DO WITH ME.
YOU WERE THE ONE WHO LET HIS DES RE LEAD HIM TO GET CLOSE TO HUMANS.
I WARNED YOU QUITE FIRMLY.
I TOLD YOU TO DEVOUR IT QUICKLY AND LEAVE THEM.
"HUMANS MAKE EVERYTHING AROUND THEM ROT AS WELL."
...
ZEUS.
IT IS YOUR FAULT FOR GREED- ILY CLINGING ONTO IT IN HOPES THAT IT WOULD GROW SWEETER STILL IF YOU WAITED.
IT IS FAR PREFERABLE FOR THE GODS TO BE SO FOOLISH THEY CANNOT TELL THE DIFFERENCE BE- TWEEN HUMANS AND WORMS.
...
WHAT?
FOR EXAMPLE ...
HE IS FAR TOO HIGH
BECAUSE THERE IS NOTHING ABOVE HIM, HE KNOWS NOT HOW TO CATEGORIZE THINGS
LIKE THE GOD OF THE SKY.

IF THERE'S NO REASON TO BE DRAWN BY PEOPLE...
HMM...
IF THAT'S THE CASE
THEN YOU DON'T EVEN THINK OF WANTING TO KNOW OTHERS?
SO YOU MEAN THAT IF EVERY-THING IS BELOW YOU,
INDEED.
THE INDIVIDUAL MEASURES HIS PLACE IN THE WORLD BY LOOKING AT OTHERS
HOWEVER...
THEN ZEUS...
"THE SKY WILL ROT."
WE ARE CAPABLE...
OF SPEAKING THOSE WORDS.

Right there!
Hold it

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flutter
GRAB
CLANG
Whoa!
CUT IT OUT!
flutter
flutter
flutter
...
hmph
LATELY YOU HAVEN'T EVEN BEEN BOTHERING TO TAKE THE SWORD OUT OF ITS SHEATH...
... ...
AND YOU WON'T EVEN ANSWER ME
hmph

HMPH
...
HERE!
.....
.....
YOU'RE SUCH A CREEP.
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?
I PICKED IT UP FOR YOU. DUH.
..
CREEP!!
WHAT ARE YOU DOING?!
WHO WOULD ?!
COULDN'T YOU BE A BIT MORE DISGRACEFUL IN YOUR RESENTMENT?
BUT YOU'VE BEEN SO BORING LATELY!

...HEY, ABOUT THAT PRESENT I GAVE YOU THE OTHER DAY.
I THINK YOU RATHER ENJOYED IT, DID YOU NOT?
IT WAS THE PERFECT THING TO KILL SOME TIME, RIGHT?

jump
Huh?
.....
Missed
WHOA! CLOSE CALL...
YES, HIM.
HE REALLY DID EXCAVATE THE RUINS OF TROY, YOU KNOW.
YOU MEAN THAT NOISY, CARPING MAN?
grab

.....
all alone
... HMPH.
Hey!
WHERE ARE YOU GOING?
WE'RE IN THE MIDDLE OF A CONVERSATION!
STALK
STALK

SHINK
HE'S COMPLETELY STOPPED THRASHING AROUND
THIS ... IS HOW IT'S BEEN SINCE ZEUS VISITED THE GARDEN.
clink
HOW DULL...
AND YET...
EVEN SINCE THEN,
ZEUS...
A FOREIGN EXISTENCE THAT DOES NOT LINE UP WITH GOD'S LOGIC..
WHO HAS BEEN THRUST INTO THE SKY, ZEUS' TERRITORY.
HE IS...
WELL, I'M SURE HE'S CURIOUS.
HAS VISITED THIS GARDEN MANY TIMES.

A HUMAN'S LIFE IS JUST TOO SHORT...
HE REALLY ... WAS QUITE THE FIND.
TO CATCH THE ATTENTION OF A GOD WHO, LIKE A MIRAGE, SIMPLY PASSES BY OVERHEAD
HE MOVES IN THIS MINIATURE GARDEN WITHOUT SULKING, JUST AS I'D HOPED
THOUGH HE HAS BEEN RATHER SUBDUED LATELY.
BUT HE SUCCEEDED IN SUM-MONING ZEUS HERE.
THE GARDEN ..
WORKED TO FULL EFFECT.
!!
Whoops, I dropped it
missed
CLANG

IF YOU WANT IT BACK, THEN ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS SAY, "PRETTY PLEASE."
GIVE IT BACK!!
Heh heh
LIKE I WOULD!
HERE, FIDO!
FETCH!!
Ah!
Toss
WHEN YOU GO GET IT, MAKE SURE YOU COME BACK HERE.
WHAT ?!
AS IF!!
FIRST OF ALL, DON'T THROW THINGS!!
YOU THREW IT FIRST.
You're so much fun when you let me play with you like this.
SHUT UP!
GET OUT OF HERE!
NOW THAT I THINK OF IT...
HAVE YOU GOTTEN USED TO ZEUS YET?

MAYBE YOU CAN AT LEAST LIFT YOUR HEAD UP IN FRONT OF HIM NOW?
.....
MORE THAN BEFORE.
THAT'S GOOD
.WHY ARE YOU ASKING?
NO REASON.
WHAT IS IT?
.. ...
THERE'S ONE THING... I WANT TO ASK YOU
THERE'S SOMETHING THAT DOESN'T MAKE SENSE TO ME WHEN I SEE THAT ZEUS.
BEFORE,
WHEN YOU SAID SOME-THING ABOUT ZEUS...
OH.
"ZEUS, THE KING OF THE GODS, SAID" SOMETHING OR OTHER..

"THE KING OF THE GODS, ZEUS, SAID..."
DID HE...
REALLY SAY THAT?
"JUST HOW FAR DOES THE FOOLISHNESS OF HUMANS' EXTEND?!
"IT WOULD BE INTER-ESTING TO FIND OUT."
...
O
WHO KNOWS?
I NEVER HEARD HIM SAY IT.

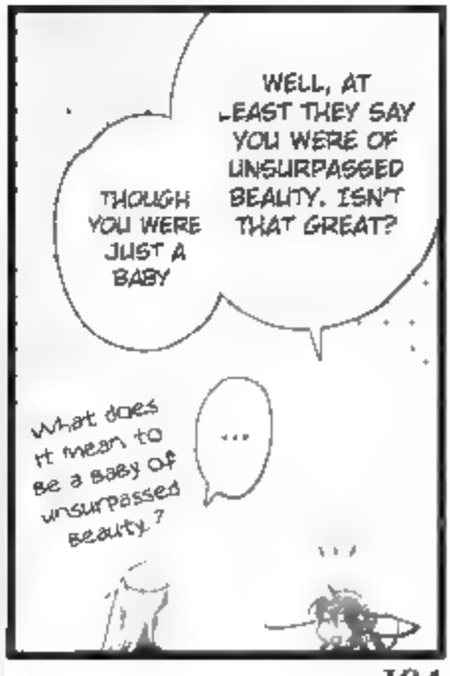
.....
I THOUGHT YOU DIDN'T LIE.
I DIDN'T LIE!
COULD YOU STOP MAKING ME REPEAT THE SAME THING OVER AND OVER?
THE GODS ARE THE BE-ALL, END-ALL!
THEN ...
I JUST SAID THAT I DIDN'T HEAR IT.
...?
SO THEN DID YOU HEAR IT FROM SOMEONE ELSE OR..
NOPE
I DECIDED TO TRY SAYING IT JUST FOR FUN, AND I COULD SAY IT
HUH?!
ARGH, YOU PISS ME OFF!
WHAT WAS THAT ABOUT?!
WHO KNOWS?
AT LEAST, I DON'T REALLY KNOW.
WHY, YOU...
IN THIS WORLD, IT MEANS THAT ZEUS SAID THAT.
BUT...

AND BESIDES,
ZEUS IS ACTUALLY COMING ALL THE WAY TO THIS GARDEN BECAUSE HE'S INTERESTED IN YOU.
YOU SHOULDN'T JUST GO BAWLING THAT IT'S WRONG, NOW.
.....
YOU MEAN HE'S COMING TO SEE ME?
THAT'S RIGHT.
What did you think it was?
. ...
WHAT?
NO,
IT'S JUST THAT HE'S ALWAYS SO DRAMATIC EVERY TIME HE COMES,
AND I THOUGHT HE HAD SOME IMPORTANT BUSINESS TO TAKE CARE OF HERE OR SOMETHING...
AND THEN I REALIZED THAT HE'S JUST EXACTLY THE SAME AS YOU.
What a stupid reason.
AHA HA HA!
How disappointing.

IT'S FINE, ISN'T IT?
EVERYONE'S JEALOUS OF YOU FOR BEING THE LOVER OF THE KING OF THE GODS EVEN THOUGH YOU'RE HUMAN.
Who's whose lover?!
My my.
How wonderful!
AT LEAST, THAT'S WHAT THEY SAY ON EARTH.
?
WHAT DO YOU MEAN?
ACCORDING TO POPULAR MYTH, ZEUS TOOK YOU AWAY TO THE SKIES...
AND NOW YOU SERVE BY HIS SIDE. SUPPOSEDLY.
Oh, my!
*Image
HUH?!

I WONDER WHY.
WHY?! ?!
AND YOU WERE SO SCARED THAT YOU WET YOURSELF
AND THEY SAID IT HAPPENED WHEN YOU WERE A BABY.
Waaaah!

.....
THIS IS RIDICULOUS...
YEAH.
IT IS RIDICULOUS.
THE THINGS THAT HUMANS THINK ARE FUNDAMENTALLY RIDICULOUS.
.....


WELL, AT LEAST THEY SAY YOU WERE OF UNSURPASSED BEAUTY. ISN'T THAT GREAT?
THOUGH YOU WERE JUST A BABY
What does it mean to be a baby of unsurpassed beauty?
...

IT LOOKS LIKE YOU'VE STARTED THINKING MORE LIKE US, HAVEN'T YOU.
I REALLY DON'T APPRECIATE BEING COMPARED TO YOU.
BUT IT'S ALSO HARD TO SAY THAT YOU'RE LIKE OTHER HUMANS, ISN'T IT?
FIRST OF ALL, WHOSE FAULT DO YOU THINK...
BUT STILL!!
I CAN'T BELIEVE HOW RUDE YOU ARE!!
TO THINK YOU'RE UNHAPPY ABOUT BEING COMPARED TO THE GODS!
HOW FAR THE GODS HAVE FALLEN...
IT'S YOUR FAULT FOR BEING SO UN-GODLIKE.

What's that expression for?
I too am godlike!
I can even fly!
THOUGH, WELL...
THE "GODS" THEY SPEAK OF...
AREN'T ANY "GODS" THAT WE KNOW OF.

LIKE I CARE!
Do you think I'd seem more godlike if I were more macho?
By the way,

オリンポス

Olympus

tremble
tremble
SHE'S
TERRIFIED.

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FLAP FLAP
HOW MANY TIMES DID IT TAKE..
FOR ME TO REALIZE THAT THERE WAS A BLUE SKY THERE?
I WAS SO DESPERATE THAT I DIDN'T EVEN NOTICE I WAS BREATHING UNTIL NOW.
THE BLUE SKY
AND THE WHITE CLOUDS
AND THE WHITE ...
BIRD?
NO
A CLOUD?
NO, IT'S FLYING.
IT'S A BIRD.

NOW THAT I THINK ABOUT IT, HE HAS THE WINGS OF A BIRD.
THIS QUIET MINIATURE GARDEN...
GROWS LOUD WITH THE FLAP PING OF WINGS.
WHAT I HAD THOUGHT WERE CLOUDS...
MAY ACTUALLY BE FLOCKS OF INNUMEROUS BIRDS.
BUT THEY ARE FAR TOO HIGH IN THE SKY FOR ME TO BE ABLE TO TELL WITH THESE EYES.

THEY'RE BOTH THINGS IN THE SKY.
SO THINGS HIGHER UP ARE CLOUDS, RIGHT?
BUT BIRDS CAN'T GO ALL THAT HIGH.
WHAT A SLAPDASH WAY OF DISTIN-GUISHING THE TWO...
IT DOESN'T REALLY MATTER.
CLOUDS ARE JUST CONDEN-SATIONS OF WATER VAPOR.
JUST LITTLE BITS ALL GATHERED TOGETHER, WHO CARES ABOUT THE DIFFERENCE?
...
BESIDES, IF YOU GO FAR ENOUGH AWAY, THEY'RE BOTH JUST WHITE THINGS TO HUMAN EYES.
AND BESIDES...
THAT'S ENOUGH.
I JUST WANTED TO KNOW IF IT WAS A LIVING BIRD.
..SO YOU MEAN,
WHETHER OR NOT THAT THING THAT LOOKS LIKE A BIRD ACTUALLY HAS LIFE AS A BIRD DOES.
IS THAT YOUR QUESTION?

..YOU WON'T LISTEN WHEN I TALK ANYMORE. IT'S GETTING RATHER DULL.
.....
THAT'S ENOUGH ALREADY.
.....
OH, I KNOW.
WELL, THEN,
DO YOU WANT TO MEET HADES?

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SINCE ZEUS IS LIKE THAT,
I THOUGHT THAT...
THE ELDEST OF THE THREE SONS PROBABLY HAD AN AWESOME PHYSICAL FORM AS WELL.
HMPH.
.....
SO THIS IS THE MINIATURE GARDEN.
HOW FINE IT IS.

.....
HEY,
WHAT'S HE LOOK LIKE TO YOU?
HUH?
DOES HE LOOK LIKE A PERSON?
?
BEING THE OLDER BROTHER OF THAT,
I'D THOUGHT HE WOULD LOOK UNUSUAL, BUT...
HE'S SURPRISINGLY NORMAL. IT'S A BIT OF A RELIEF...
OH?
.....YOU HEARD HIM, HADES.
IS THAT SO.
THAT...
IS SPLENDID
That's going too far
.. YOU ... ARE SERIOUSLY SICK OR SOMETHING...
?!
!! ...A WOMAN?!

BY THE WAY,
LET ME WARN YOU.
whisper
TALKING TO THIS IS A LOT OF HARD WORK.
HARD WORK?
?
WHAT DOES THAT...
I'M SURPRISED YOU MANAGED TO CATCH THAT USING THIS.
...?
THIS?
WHAT?
HOW RUDE.
THIS IS A HIGH-QUALITY GOOD I FOUND.
THIS
THAT ...
KIND OF TICKS HIM OFF
.....
OH
THIS = ME
THAT = ZEUS
Is that what he means?

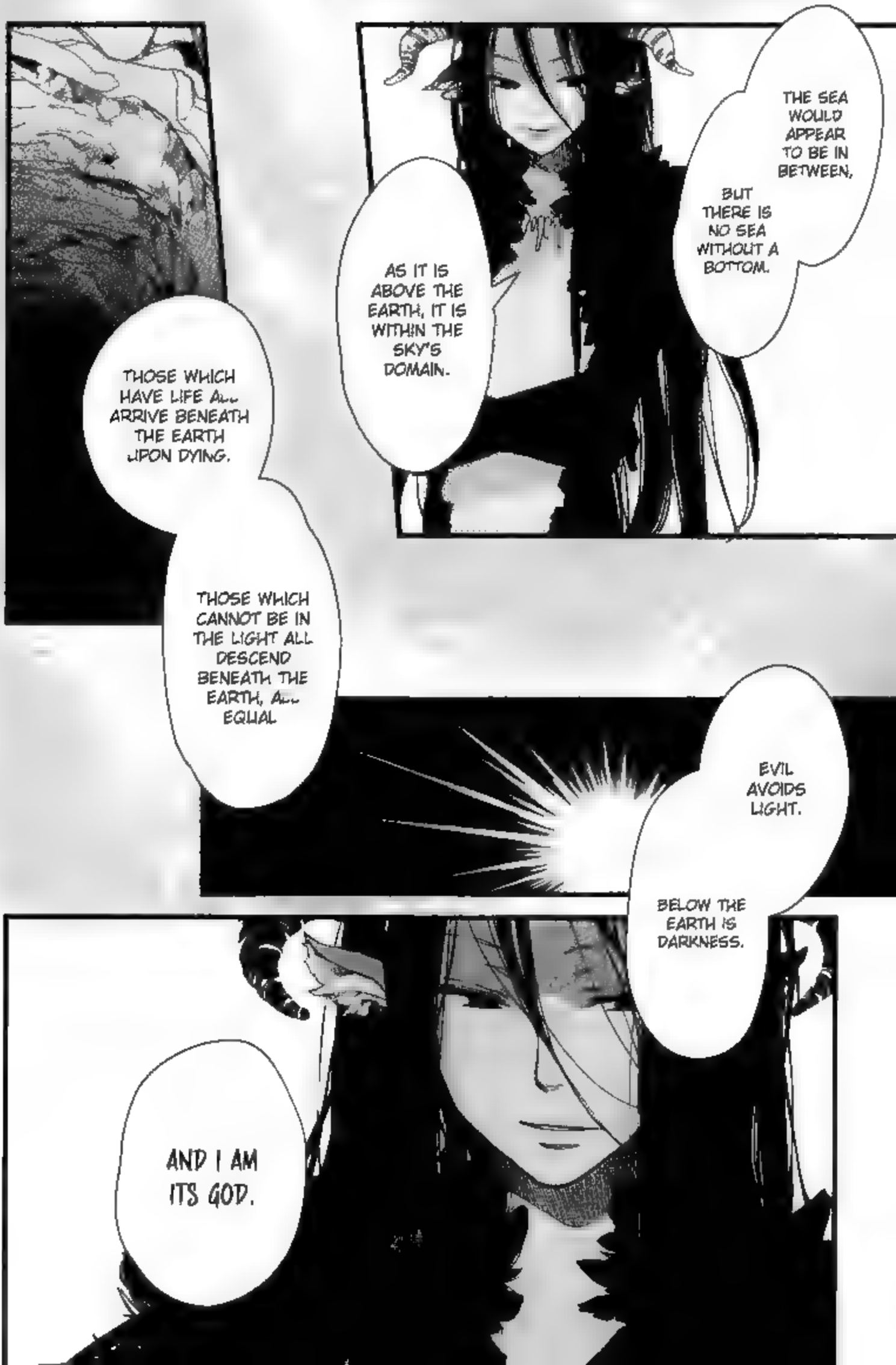
THAT ..
IS NOT WHAT I AM MEANT FOR.
I'VE INSISTED ON THAT SO MUCH,
I KNOW I SHOULDN'T GET ANGRY HERE AND NOW BUT..
hearing "I'm sur" prised you managed to catch that using this" ticks me off
.....
FINE.
IF YOU'VE CAUGHT HIM,
THEN THAT IS WELL ENOUGH.
"CAUGHT"
WHETHER IT'S POSSIBLE...
OR NOT...
"I WONDER WHY?"

THAT MY PURPOSE WAS TO BE THE BAIT TO LURE IN AND CATCH ZEUS?
"A REWARD?"
DOES THAT MEAN...
WASN'T I SUPPOSED TO BE APOLLO'S TOY?
IS THERE SOME POINT IN CATCHING ZEUS' INTEREST?
...WHAT ARE YOU PLANNING ON DOING ..
BY CATCHING ZEUS?
WILL CATCHING HIM GET YOU ANY-THING?
.....
HMM ...

I DON'T THINK...
IT'LL GET ME ANY-THING.
. ....
WHAT?
INDEED, NOTHING.
NOTHING ?!
EVEN IF THERE WERE SOMETHING,
IT WOULD BE THE DE-STRUCTION OF THIS WORLD, I SUPPOSE.
HUH?
HOWEVER, I REGRET TO SAY THAT IT WILL NOT HAPPEN.
NOT JUST BY "CATCHING" HIM.

THOUGH IF IT ENDED, THAT WOULD BE INTERESTING ENOUGH IN ITS OWN RIGHT.
AFTER ALL, THIS BOREDOM WOULD END AS WELL.
I WOULDN'T MIND THAT, EITHER.
.....
YOUR BAIT...
IS MAKING AN ODD EXPRESSION.
HE DOESN'T UNDERSTAND.
YOU DO NOT REJOICE AT HEARING OF THE END OF THE MINIATURE GARDEN.
DO YOU NOT UNDERSTAND THE MEANING?
OR DO YOU, EVEN AT A TIME LIKE THIS, FIND IT REGRETTABLE TO HEAR THAT IT WILL END?
THIS CONVERSATION..

VEERED OFF IN A COMPLETELY UNEXPECTED DIRECTION
I CAN'T KEEP UP.
DESTRUCTION?
THE WORLD?
HOW DOES HIS COMING TO THE GARDEN CONNECT TO THE WORLD ENDING?!
HE'S COMING TO SEE YOU.
??
.....IN THE FIRST PLACE,
THE WORLD IS CONSTRUCTED OF PAIRS.
THE SKY OVERHEAD AND THE DEPTHS OF THE EARTH
LIGHT AND DARK.
IT ORIGINATES FROM EITHER END,
AND THEN WANDERS THE GAP BETWEEN.
WHAT ABOUT THE SEA AND THE SURFACE OF THE GROUND?
THE LAND BELONGS TO THE SKY, STARTING AT THE HORIZON


THE SEA WOULD APPEAR TO BE IN BETWEEN,
BUT THERE IS NO SEA WITHOUT A BOTTOM.
AS IT IS ABOVE THE EARTH, IT IS WITHIN THE SKY'S DOMAIN.
THOSE WHICH HAVE LIFE ALL ARRIVE BENEATH THE EARTH UPON DYING.
THOSE WHICH CANNOT BE IN THE LIGHT ALL DESCEND BENEATH THE EARTH, ALL EQUAL
EVIL AVOIDS LIGHT.
BELOW THE EARTH IS DARKNESS.
AND I AM ITS GOD.

I told you it's exhausting.
.....
?
IN OTHER WORDS,
"WHEN ONE DOOR SHUTS, ANOTHER DOOR OPENS."
And the gods are the ones doing it
THE THINGS THAT YOU HUMANS THINK WOULD MAKE YOU UNFIT TO FACE THE GODS IF YOU DID THEM ARE ALL HADES' DOMAIN.
IS HE THE GOD OF EVIL?
HE CERTAINLY IS A GOD YOU'D WANT TO CALL THAT,
BUT HE ISN'T
HE'S THE GOD OF THE SHADOW PRODUCED BY LIGHT.
ALL THINGS IN THE WORLD ARE ORIGINALLY ZERO.
THEY BEGIN FROM ONE AND BEGIN TO MOVE AT TWO
YOU ONLY THINK OF WHAT YOU ARE WHEN THERE IS SOMETHING THAT IS SEPARATE FROM YOURSELF
HADES, THE SHADOW, IS NECESSARY FOR ZEUS, THE LIGHT, TO EXIST...
BECAUSE IN A WORLD WITH ONLY LIGHT, THE SYMBOL "LIGHT" IS UNNECESSARY.

HOWEVER,
AS YOU SAW, ZEUS IS THAT.
I KNOW, RIGHT?
...HE DOESN'T LOOK LIKE HE HAS INTEREST IN ANYTHING ELSE...
HE, WHO ALMOST VIOLENTLY IGNORES EVERYTHING ELSE AND FEELS NOT THE SLIGHTEST SENSE OF DOUBT ABOUT HIMSELF,
JUST MIGHT BE THE TRUE SHAPE OF THIS WORLD'S "JUSTICE" OR SOMETHING...
BUT IF THAT'S THE CASE...
WELL, YOU CAN'T HELP BUT THINK ABOUT IT EITHER, CAN YOU?
IS THAT...
EVEN CONSCIOUS OF ANYTHING ELSE?

IF HE IS,
THEN HOW THINGS WILL TURN OUT ..
IS NOTHING MORE THAN INNOCENT CURIOSITY.
HOWEVER ...
IT COULD BE THAT IT GOES AGAINST THE REASON OF THIS WORLD'S "JUSTICE."
IN OTHER WORDS,
IF SOMETHING WERE TO HAPPEN,
THE BALANCE MIGHT BE BROKEN AND THE WORLD WOULD BE DESTROYED ?
THAT'S WHAT IT MEANS.
.....
I THINK ...
I GET WHAT HE MEANS, BUT...
DOES THAT MEAN I WAS MADE AN ACCOMPLICE IN IT BEFORE I EVEN KNEW IT?
HE SAYS THAT NOTHING WILL HAPPEN, BUT ..
OH, YES, THAT'S RIGHT.
BUT STILL ...

I'LL TELL YOU ONE MORE THING.
I ASKED YOU EARLIER WHAT HADES LOOKED LIKE TO YOU, RIGHT?
HADES LOOKS DIFFERENT TO EVERYONE WHO SEES HIM.
THE "EVIL" THAT GOES AGAINST HEAVEN.
HAS A FORM THAT COULD BE MISTAKEN FOR A WOMAN.
HOW VERY WONDROUS THAT IS.

WITH THE ANSWER YOU JUST GAVE.
I AM QUITE SATISFIED...
HE SAID THAT I AM A HUMAN...
FIT TO BE MADE AN ACCOMPLICE.
...ACCOM-PLICE?
THAT IT IS INNOCENT CURIOSITY.
IS HE TRYING TO DESTROY THE WORLD BY CURIOSITY?
"THOUGH IF IT ENDED, THAT WOULD BE INTERESTING ENOUGH IN ITS OWN RIGHT."

"DO YOU, EVEN AT A TIME LIKE THIS, FIND IT REGRETTABLE TO HEAR THAT IT WILL END?"
...I WONDER.
GOING PAST "YOU CAN GET OUT" TO BEING TOLD THAT "IT WILL BE DESTROYED" ..
IT'S TRUE THAT I DIDN'T FEEL LIKE I COULD REALLY BE HAPPY ABOUT IT..
I THOUGHT I HAD RESOLVED MYSELF TO NOT CARING WHAT HAPPENED,
IF ONLY IT MEANT THAT THIS WOULD END...
BUT I'M UNEXPECTEDLY ...
QUITE SPINELESS,
OR MAYBE JUST IRRESOLUTE,
OR MAYBE JUST GREEDY..
"NOTHING WILL HAPPEN."
SO HE SAYS,
BUT EVEN AS HE SAYS IT,
IT SEEMS LIKE HE'S EXPECTING SOMETHING TO HAPPEN
YOU KNOW,
WE AREN'T ..

TRYING TO PLAN OUT A WAY TO END THE WORLD.
AND WE AREN'T PLOTTING TO UNIFY THE WORLD, EITHER.
HOWEVER,
JUST AS THE WIND BLOWS,
JUST AS THE SEASONS PASS BY,
HE EXISTS ACTING AS THOUGH IT IS ONLY NATURAL TO NEVER DOUBT ANYTHING.
AND HE IS IMPOSSIBLE TO COMPREHEND.
UNFORTNATELY,
WE CANNOT SPEAK ANYTHING BUT THE TRUTH.

THEREFORE, HAVING SAID THAT NOTHING WILL HAPPEN,
WE HOLD NO EXPECTATIONS.
...WHY DO YOU DO SOMETHING WHEN YOU KNOW NOTHING WILL HAPPEN?
BECAUSE IT IS NOT DECIDED THAT WE MUST NOT DO IT.
ISN'T THAT POINTLESS?
WHAT IS WRONG ABOUT SOMETHING POINTLESS?
THE ONLY THING THAT CAN BE GAINED BY ELIMINATING THE POINTLESS IS TIME,
AND THAT ALREADY EXISTS IN MORE THAN SUFFICIENT AMOUNTS.
THEREFORE, WE DO NOT CONSIDER THE POINTLESS TO BE EVIL.
. BUT APOLLO USED TO MOCK ME,
SAYING THAT I WAS AN IDIOT FOR CONSTANTLY AND POINTLESSLY WASTING ENERGY.
HMPH

THAT IS EXCEED-INGLY FOOLISH.
...
how true
.....
YOU'RE DIFFERENT FROM ZEUS.
YOU DIDN'T HAVE A GRANDIOSE ENTRANCE AT ALL.
didn't even realize when you came
I?
THAT IS LIKELY BECAUSE ...
NO ONE THINKS OF "EVIL" AS GRANDIOSE.
HMPH.
...THOSE ARE THE STAN-DARDS?
IF THERE WAS A CUSTOM OF LOVING AND RESPECTING VICE, THEN IT MIGHT BE POSSIBLE TO MOW DOWN TWO OR THREE TREES
?
THOUGH IT IS CALLED EVIL,
TO MOST EYES, IT DOES NOT SHOW ANY PARTICULARLY UNUSUAL BEHAVIOR.
THAT IS WHAT I AM.

THE EYES ARE DAZZLED BY A LIGHT THAT IS TOO BRIGHT.
I WOULD THINK IT EASIER TO LIVE IF ONE DABBLES A BIT IN EVIL THAN IF ONE IS A SAINT.
HOWEVER, ONE HESITATES TO PROUDLY SHOUT THAT OUT IN THE LIGHT OF DAY.
IF ONE WISHES TO HIDE THAT FROM PRYING EYES,
THEN THE BEST PLACE IS BELOW THE SURFACE OF THE EARTH.
AND THEREFORE, I RULE THE DEPTHS OF THE EARTH.
.....
DIDN'T YOU DRAW THE BAD LOT?
THAT MYTH?
IF VIEWED WITH AN EYE ON WHAT IS "TRUE," THEN I DID.
THAT IS NOT INCORRECT

THOUGH I CAN'T TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN IT AND RIVERS AND MOUNTAINS.
Hill
Mountain
River
Sea
THAT THE "SEA" IS ONE OF THE BROTHERS IS, I SUPPOSE, DUE TO HUMAN SENSIBILITIES.
THE SEA LIKELY SEEMS A GREAT POWER TO THEM.

Is he excited or subdued?

DO YOU, A GOD WHO CANNOT TELL THE DIFFERENCE BETWEEN RIVERS AND SEAS,
HAVE SOME BUSINESS WITH ME, ZEUS' BAIT, IN THIS HOPE-LESS MINIATURE GARDEN...?

I BELIEVE I SAID..
THAT ALL THAT IS NOT ZEUS' DOMAIN IS MINE.

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Last Episode
I BELIEVE I SAID. . THAT ALL THAT IS NOT ZEUS' DOMAIN IS MINE.
IN OTHER WORDS,
YOUR NEXT DESTINATION BELONGS TO ME.
.....
. .DOES THAT MEAN
THAT I CAN GET OUT OF HERE?
HMPH

IF THE CONDITION IS. .
THAT YOUR BODY LEAVE THIS FIELD OF FLOWERS,
THEN THAT IS NOT IMPOSSIBLE.
...!
THAT'S FINE!
HOW—
HOW CAN I GET OUT?!
WHAT DO I HAVE TO DO?
OR...
CAN I DO IT RIGHT NOW?!
DOES IT TAKE TIME TO...
.....

.....
WHAT ARE YOU LAUGHING ABOUT?
DON'T TELL ME IT WAS A LIE?
I DO NOT LIE.
HOWEVER,
I HAVE A BIT OF FREE TIME.
HUH?
Free time?
DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE?
...OF COURSE I DO.
DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE RIGHT NOW?
I DO.
DO YOU WANT TO LEAVE THAT MUCH?
smirk
Don't make me repeat myself over and over again!!
WELL, THEN,
WE'LL PUT IT OFF FOR SOMETIME LATER.
!!!
POOF

AND I'M...
I'M DEAD SERI-OUS HERE!
AND YOU HAVE TO SCREW AROUND WITH ME...
DAMN IT ALL...!!
Last Episode
WHAT IS WRONG WITH ALL OF YOU...?!
...WHA...!
STOP SCREW-ING AROUND WITH ME!!
YOU DAMN IDIOT GODS!
YOU USELESS DEAD-BEATS!
YOU...

HADES IS A NO-GO!
YOU REALLY ARE THE ONLY ONE.
GIVE ME A HAND HERE, APOLLO!!
... WHAT?
IS THIS YOUR "OVERTHROW ZEUS" PLAN AGAIN?
YOU NEVER LEARN, DO YOU...
YOU'VE NEVER ONCE SUCCEEDED, HAVE YOU...
Jgh...

WHAT MAKES YOU SO UNHAPPY ABOUT BEING SUBORDINATE TO ZEUS?
HE'S MY YOUNGER BROTHER!
REALLY?
YOU AGREE, DON'T YOU?!
HMM ..
BUT! I CAN'T ACCEPT BEING SUB-ORDINATE TO ZEUS!!
Huh?
YOU KNOW
IS IT TRUE THAT HE'S YOUR YOUNGER BROTHER?
OF COURSE IT'S TRUE!
I CAN SAY IT!
IT'S TRUE!
THOUGH I DON'T ACTU-ALLY REMEM-BER WHEN I WAS BORN!
... WELL,
I DON'T REMEMBER THAT, EITHER.
RYUAH?!

.....
YOU...
POSE.-DON.
DON'T HARBOR ANY DOUBTS ABOUT THINGS YOU KNOW... BUT DON'T REMEMBER?
Hmph.
... WELL, THEN,
WHY DO WE NOT DOUBT THINGS THAT WE HAVE NOT LEARNED,
BUT HAVE SEEN WITH OUR OWN EYES OR HEARD WITH OUR OWN EARS?
... HUH?
IS THAT HOW IT IS?!
Instinct?!
Come on, it's okay to say it is, right?!
How about it, was it interesting? Did you like it?!
WHAT ARE YOU TALKING ABOUT?!
You really are such an idiot!!
Ugh.

OH! YEAH!
That, that!!
... SENIORITY ...
THAT'S THAT SENIOR-WHATSIT THING.
with Hades
AND EVEN IF YOU TAKE DOWN ZEUS, THERE'S STILL HADES.
ARE YOU OKAY WITH THAT?
POSEIDON'S DESIRE IS SO VERY HUMAN.
HE WANTS TO BE .. FAR ABOVE EVERY THING ELSE.
IN OTHER WORDS, THE DESIRE FOR AUTHORITY
HOW RIDICU-LOUS.
JUST WHAT...
WOULD A GOD DO EVEN IF HE DID OBTAIN THAT AUTHORITY ?
.....
HAS ZEUS EVER FORCED YOU TO DO ANYTHING?
WHAT'D YOU MEAN, GO AGAINST HIM..
BEING SUBORDINATE TO ZEUS MEANS THAT I CAN'T GO AGAINST HIM!

FLAT OUT
I DON'T LIKE IT!!
IF IT NEVER HAPPENS, SO WHAT IF YOU CAN'T DEFY HIM...
BUT IF HE DID, I COULDN'T DEFY HIM!
I figured as much
NEVER.
SO IN THE END, EVEN THE GODS ARE CONTROLLED BY EMOTION. HUH. .
I DON'T WANT TO END UP LIKE YOU.
sigh
?
I'D BE BORED IF YOU BECAME ME.
..... That's not what I meant...

All of you...
...what's that look for?!
.....
That's the first thing out of your mouth. ?
I DON'T LIKE IT...!!
.....
HADES TOLD ME!
HE SAID THERE WAS A WAY OUT OF HERE!

HADES CAME AGAIN?
WELL, HE CERTAINLY HAS A LOT OF TIME ON HIS HANDS.
DON'T CHANGE THE SUBJECT!
YOU SAID I COULDN'T LEAVE!!
JUST WHAT'S GOING ON HERE ...?!
.....
WOW.
DON'T 'WOW' ME!!
YOU CAN GET OUT?
HE SAID THAT? HADES DID?
HE DID!
WHAT'S THAT MEAN?
THAT'S NOT WHAT YOU SAID!!
SO,
DID YOU ASK HOW YOU CAN GET OUT?
AH, D
DO YOU THINK I'D BE SO TICKED OFF IF HE'D TOLD ME?!

ANSWER ME!
CAN I GET OUT,
OR CAN'T I?
...
I DON'T CALL THAT... BEING ABLE TO LEAVE.
BUT,
OUTSIDE OF HERE IS OUT-SIDE.
THAT'S FINE, ISN'T IT?
IF YOU THINK SO.
—

THERE'S NO WAY YOU COULD TELL ME SOMETHING THAT I COULD ACTUALLY BE GLAD ABOUT.
THAT IT WAS SOMETHING LIKE THAT...
.....
I FIGURED...
sigh
THAT'S ENOUGH.
GO AWAY
I JUST GOT HERE
WHATEVER, JUST GO AWAY.
YOU DON'T NEED TO BE SO DISAPPOINTED.
I DON'T LIKE THAT METHOD, BUT YOU MIGHT NOT AGREE WITH ME.
.....
.....
Like I'll be convinced by that.
JUST TRY ASKING HADES, THEN!!
...

SINCE HE'S RIGHT THERE AND ALL.
HE JUST SHOWS UP OUT OF NOWHERE LIKE IT'S NOTHING ...!!
YOU CALLED?
I CALLED.
TAP
I'M BEING CALLED A LIAR BECAUSE OF YOU.
HMPH.
HEY!
YOU RILE ME UP, AND NOW WHAT?!
I'M SERI-OUSLY—
HMPH.
.....
UP WE GO

...SOMEHOW, YOU SEEM LIKE A PROPER GOD NOW...
I'M HONORED.
...YOU...
ARE DESPERATELY WISHING FOR THIS GARDEN TO END. DYING FOR IT.
OR SO I THOUGHT IS THAT CORRECT?
OF COURSE
"HOW-EVER, YOU CANNOT DIE."
THAT'S RIGHT
THAT S BECALSE
ZEUS DOES NOT VIEW DYING WE...
...?
WHAT ARE THE ACTIONS TAKEN BY THOSE WHO HAVE BEEN FORSAKEN BY GOD?

THEFT... ADULTERY.. MURDER ?
THEY ARE ACTIONS
WHICH ARE NOT ACCEPTED BELOW THE OPEN BLUE SKY, IN THE SUNLIGHT OF DAY
IN SHORT
ACTIONS MOTIVATED BY INSTINCT AND DESIRE,
WHICH ARE CENSURED BY OTHERS,
ARE ACTIONS WHICH THEY CANNOT HELP BUT TAKE
SUCH PEOPLE ...
FALTER, UNABLE TO BEAR ZEUS' BRILLIANCE,
AND FALL TO MY WORLD.
IF SO, THEN THE LOGIC IS SIMPLE.

...Steal, or Some-thing?
INCOR-RECT.
IN SHORT,
ONE MIGHT AS WELL GO MAD
SO MAD THAT YOU NO LONGER UNDERSTAND HUMAN WORDS.
Flat out
.....
"GO MAD."
...SO IT'S THAT AFTER ALL.
BUT THEN, EVEN IF HE CAN GET OUT, THERE'S NO POINT.
BUT IF HE CAN LEAVE, THE GARDEN WILL END.
IT IS NOT OUR ROLE TO CHOOSE THE POINT OR MEANING.
I OBJECT, JUST SO YOU KNOW!
BE SILENT, SUN.

IF YOUR DYING WOULD END THIS, THEN YOU WOULD LIKELY BE DEAD.
IF BOTH REASON AND LIFE SHOULD END, THEN YOU COULD HAVE NO CONNECTION TO THEM.
I DO NOT BELIEVE THERE TO BE ANY GREAT DIFFERENCE.
DO YOU FEEL GREED NOW, AT THIS POINT?
!
.....
THAT ...
IS TRUE...
I WANT TO END BOTH...
THIS LONG, END-LESSLY LONG TIME...
AND MY LIVING HERE.

IF SO,
THEN YOU ONLY HAVE TO HEAD TO THE CLIFF.
...THE CLIFF?
IT IS THE EDGE OF THIS WORLD,
AND YOUR WAY OUT.
IS IT THERE?
NOW?
THE POSSIBILITY OF ITS EXISTENCE IS ALWAYS THERE.
NOW
AND IN THE PAST,
AND IN THE FUTURE AS WELL.

YOU HAVE AN ETERNITY OF TIME TO THINK.
IN THE FUTURE ...
INDEED.
SO STRUGGLE WITH IT ALL YOU LIKE.
IF YOU TRULY WISH TO GO OUTSIDE OF ZEUS,
THEN HEAD FOR THE CLIFF...
AND UNHESITATINGLY STEP OVER THE EDGE.
I...
WILL NOT DENY YOU
BEFORE I REALIZED IT,

APOLLO HAD VANISHED
..HADES IS GONE, TOO ..
When did that happen?
HE REALLY IS AN INCONSPICUOUS GOD.
HOW LONG HAS IT BEEN...
SINCE I HAVE TRIED TO GO TO THE EDGE OF THIS FIELD OF FLOWERS?
AT FIRST IT WAS JUST RANDOM
AND THEN I WAS INCITED INTO IT..
THAT WAS SUCH A PAIN..
NOW,
THE POSSIBILITY OF ITS EXISTENCE IS ALWAYS THERE
AND IN THE PAST.
WHICH MEANS
THAT THE REASON IT WASN'T THERE THAT ONE TIME.

AND THIS TIME!!
IS THAT WHAT HE MEANS?
AND WAS NOT CLINGING TO THE HOPE OF LEAVING SO DESPERATELY THAT IT DROVE ME MAD...
WAS BECAUSE I...
WAS RIDING HIGH ON THE MIRACLE ...
HE'S TESTING ..
MY RESOLVE.
I'M PREPARED TO DIE.
SO GOING MAD IS JUST THE SAME.

AS I WAS HEADING TOWARDS THE CLIFF I THOUGHT
THE WHITE HORIZON AND SKY FULL OF STARS
CONTINUING FOREVER WITHOUT END.

THE END OF LIFE,
ALMOST AS IF I WERE LOVED BY ALL THE WORLD,
THESE FLOWERS SPREAD OVER A COFFIN.
A GARDEN THAT MAKES IT SEEM THAT I HAD GOTTEN...
THE THINGS THAT EVERY ONE WANTS TO HAVE.
THE RUINS THAT PROUDLY DISPLAY PAST GLORIES
THE SKY THAT GIVES THE ILLUSION ...
THAT I HAVE GRASPED EVEN THE FARTHEST OF STARS.
HOW IS THAT

ANY DIFFERENT...
FROM THE WORLD BEYOND THE CLIFF, I WONDER?
SO?
IN THE END,
THE CLIFF WAS THERE?
I DON'T KNOW.

SO BASICALLY, YOUR LONG-HELD WISH TO LEAVE...
HADN'T YOU RESOLVED YOURSELF TO IT?
I DON'T KNOW
IT MIGHT HAVE BEEN THERE IF I'D GONE A BIT FARTHER,
AND IT MIGHT HAVE NEVER BEEN THERE NO MATTER HOW FAR I WENT.
WAS NOT SOMETHING THAT COULD NEVER BE EXCHANGED FOR ANYTHING ELSE?
.....
THE REALITY IS,
.....
And yet, I seem to recall a certain someone constantly calling me a fool and an idiot...
OH, COME ON, HEAR ME OUT!
I WAS GOING TO FINISH BY SAYING "AND YOU'RE TOO PROUD AND SPOILED AND HAVE ABSOLUTELY ZERO SENSE OF RESPONSIBILITY TO BOOT!"
YOU'RE TOO FLEXIBLE AND CLEVER TO FLINCH AND FOLD BENEATH THE PRESSURE.
THOUGH I THOUGHT I WANTED TO FIND THE EXIT ENOUGH TO MAKE ME GO MAD,
WELL, THERE'S NO HELPING THAT.
TO THIS DAY, I HAVE NOT YET ONCE LOST MY MIND.

WELL, IT'S FINE, DON'T YOU THINK?
IF, ONE DAY, YOU REALLY ARE SO DESPERATE TO GET OUT OF HERE THAT YOU'RE WILLING TO DO WHATEVER IT TAKES,
THEN ALL YOU HAVE TO DO IS GO RUNNING FOR THE CLIFF AND JUMP OFF BEFORE YOU GO MAD!
IT MEANS THAT YOU CAN GO ANY TIME IF THINGS GET REALLY BAD, RIGHT?
BUT ISN'T THAT A PROBLEM ITSELF?
IS IT?
WHY?
IF I KNOW THAT I CAN END IT WHEN I REACH MY LIMIT,
THEN I FEEL LIKE... THE DESPERATION AND DRIVE TO DO SOMETHING BEFORE IT GETS THAT BAD WILL BE WEAKENED.
...DOES THAT MEAN..
THAT NOW THAT YOU'VE HEARD HOW TO GET OUT, THE EXIT IS FARTHER AWAY THAN EVER..?
.....

How greedy.
...
Why are humans so...
I THINK I'VE STARTED TO UNDERSTAND WHAT YOU SAID, JUST A LITTLE BIT.
...
BUT...
.....
UNDER-STAND WHAT?
JUST HOW GREEDY CAN I GET?
EVEN THOUGH IT'S ME, I'M STILL INTER-ESTED TO FIND OUT.
I JUST THOUGHT OF IT, SINCE I CAN GET OUT ANY TIME.
...
AS IF.
.. DON'T TELL ME...
THAT ISN'T WHY YOU TURNED BACK, IS IT...?

Huh?!
ARE YOU AN IDIOT OR WHAT?
JUST IMAGINING YOU LOOKING ALL LONELY WITHOUT ME IS JUST TOO PATHETIC TO BEAR.
AND BESIDES,
What was that for?
You're always hanging out here. You don't have any friends, do you?
Shut up. You're such an idiot!
IT WOULDN'T BE ALL THAT BAD TO STICK AROUND WITH YOU ...
AND WATCH EVERYTHING UNTIL IT ALL ENDS.
WELL, LEAVING THAT ASIDE,
I AGREE... THAT IT WOULDN'T BE ALL THAT BAD, THAT IS.
POSEIDON'S A FOOL,
AND YOU KNOW HOW ZEUS IS, AND YOU SAW HADES.
IT'S A FACT THAT THINGS WOULD BE BORING WITHOUT YOU AROUND.
..HE REALLY DOESN'T HAVE ANY FRIENDS...
I CAN HEAR YOU!!

WELL, THIS IS FINE.
WE HAVE ...
MORE TIME THAN WE COULD POSSIBLY KNOW WHAT TO DO WITH.

YOU CAN DO WHATEVER YOU WANT.

Epilogue

YOU'RE HERE AGAIN?
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
FLAP
YOU ALL SURE HAVE A LOT OF FREE TIME, DON'T YOU.
!
YOU,
AND APOLLO,
FLAP
AND HADES.

FLAP
HE DOESN'T EVEN LOOK MY WAY.
HONESTLY, WHAT IS HE HERE FOR..
..WHENEVER YOU'RE AROUND, THINGS ARE ALWAYS SUCH A FUSS.
!!!
WHOA!!
FLAP
FLAP
THAT... WAS A SURPRISE

NO WAY.
THAT WOULD ABSOLUTELY NEVER HAPPEN!
BUT HE WAS LOOKING MY WAY.
HMM...
THERE'S NO WAY ZEUS WOULD SMILE.
YOU WERE SEEING THINGS!
HMMM
YOU CAN SAY IT ALOUD.
THAT'S STRANGE ...

HE JUST LOOKED LIKE HE WAS SMILING.
...
MAYBE ...
IF, TO HUMANS, HIS EXPRESSION LOOKED LIKE HE WAS SMILING EVEN THOUGH HE ACTUALLY WASN'T ..
THEN WOULD THAT NOT COUNT AS ACTUALLY "SMILING"?
.....
NO, IT WOULDN'T ...
Nope.
I THOUGHT SO.
.....
WOULD YOU NOT ASK THINGS WHEN YOU ALREADY KNOW THE ANSWER?
Boring.
And what do you think we gods are, lie detectors?
HMPH.
THE SKY, SMILING?

THAT IS QUITE MARVELOUS.
WOULD YOU STOP ANSWERING WITH THINGS THAT AREN'T ANSWERS?!
It ticks me off!
.....
WHY...
DO YOU DESIRE AN ANSWER?
DO YOU WISH TO KNOW EVERYTHING?
HOW...
IS THAT ANY DIFFERENT...
FROM SEEKING TO ATTAIN THE STATUS OF OMNISCIENT?

AHH!
WOULD YOU NOT COMPARE ME TO POSEIDON?!
I swear I'll get angry
HMPH
IS IT NOT AS I SAY?
NO, IT ISN'T!!
HMPH.
SO YOU CAN SAY IT.
HOW PECULIAR.
...THOUGH YOU DESIRE THE SAME THING,
IT SEEMS THAT THE SKIES HAVE DIFFERENTIATED YOU ON THE BASIS OF MOTIVE.
IF SO
THEN COULD IT BE THAT THE SKY COULD SMILE ON THE BASIS OF MOTIVE?

IS THERE REALLY ...
AN "ANSWER" ?
I DO NOT KNOW.
YOUR QUESTION MAY BE AT FAULT,
OR IT MAY BE THAT YOU CANNOT ATTAIN SOMETHING THAT DOES NOT EXIST.
OR PERHAPS ...
THE FOOLISHNESS OF YOUR QUESTION ...
MAY BE THE ANSWER ITSELF.
HOWEVER,
IF "DO NOT ASK" IS THE SKY'S TRUTH,
THEN "DO ASK" IS OUR TRUTH.

_I DON'T LIKE THAT TRUTH!
HMPH.
COULD THAT ALSO BE DUE TO MOTIVE?
I DON'T KNOW AND I DON'T CARE!!

END

Hello to everyone, both those who are first-timers and those who are not. This is Aki.
(Though given that it's the second volume, I'm guessing there aren't many first-timers?)
Thank you very much for reading.

The story ends with this volume.
I wasn't originally planning on such a heavy story, so even as I end it here, I imagine that there are some people thinking, "Wait, this is where it ends?!" I mean, the world is still going on! (?)

There are a ton of things that, upon reflection, I kind of regret (especially with the illustrations!), but I'm glad that I got the chance to draw something I wanted to draw. It was a lot of fun.
I don't particularly want to push anything any one way – I won't say, "This is this!" – so I'd appreciate it if everyone consider it light reading and not take it too seriously. Since majority rules when everyone has different opinions about what's good and what isn't, I'd be honored if everyone just enjoy the parts that they enjoy.

I wrote everything I wanted to write in the first volume, so I'll wrap things up here!
I hope that you all keep me in mind for next time!

Aki

COMMENT

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2巻目です。
が、それはさておいて。
前回ねぎの写真だったので、今回は庭のトマトです。
せっかくなので、ハーデスの顔をあしらってみました。
手前の葉っぱがちょっと色っぽいですね。

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本当にあっただろうか。
世界の終わりなんて、
本当に存在するのだろうか——。

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